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SUBJECT: TRIP BY PRIME MINISTER KHUKRIT TO U.S.

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1. AT SEATO COUNCIL REPS MEETING SEPT 10 I REMINDED MFA
UNDERSECRETARY PHAEN WANNAMETHI THAT I WAS LEAVING FOR
WASHINGTON SEPT 11 AND ASKED WHETHER THERE WAS ANYTHING
ABOUT THE PRIME MINISTER'S PROPOSED TRIP TO EUROPE AND
THE U.S. (REFTELS) WHICH I SHOULD KNOW.

2. PHAEN SAID THAT HE HAD MET WITH THE PRIME MINISTER
AND FOREIGN MINISTER CHATCHAI ON SEPT 5, AND THEY HAD
CONCLUDED THAT THERE WAS NOT RPT NOT ENOUGH TIME BETWEEN
THE EXPECTED END OF THE PARLIAMENTARY SESSION SEPT 27
AND THE KING'S BIRTHDAY, DEC 5, FOR THE PRIME MINISTER
TO VISIT BOTH EUROPE AND THE U.S. IT HAD THEREFORE
BEEN DECIDED TO DO EUROPE THIS TIME AND THE U.S. AT A
LATER DATE.

3. I HAD ASKED DIRECTOR GENERAL OF INFORMATION DEPT.
OF MFA, NITSAI WETCHACHIWA, THE SAME QUESTION SEPT 8
AND GOT THE REPLY THAT THE TIMING OF THE KHUKRIT TRIP
WAS NOT RPT NOT CERTAIN. HOWEVER, I THINK PHAEN'S STATE-
MENT IS DEFINITIVE AND THAT THE PROPOSED KHUKRIT VISIT
TO THE U.S. IS OFF FOR THIS YEAR.

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